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For: **FUELTANK STRUCTURE**

Honorable Commissioner of Patents
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.97-§1.98

Sir:

Under the provisions of 37 CFR §1.97 through §1.98 and pursuant to applicant's duty of disclosure under 37 CFR §1.56, applicant respectfully brings the following documents listed on the attached form PTO-1449, to the attention of the Examiner in charge of the above-identified application.

These references were cited by the Examiner in a European Search Report. Copies of the listed document are provided herewith for the convenience of the Examiner.

This citation does not constitute an admission that the reference is relevant or material to the claims. It is only cited as constituting related art of which applicants are aware.

In compliance with the requirements of 37 CFR §1.98(a)(3), as a concise statement of relevance, as it is presently understood by the individual designated in 35 U.S.C. §1.56(c) most knowledgeable about the content of the information, the undersigned attorney of record submits a copy of the European Search Report citing such documents, together with English-language abstracts of non-English documents. Additionally, the portion of the Search Report indicating the degree of relevance found by the foreign office is included herewith.

However, no independent analysis of the references, the accuracy of the statement of the foreign examiner or the claims of the under the laws of that country or the United States relative to the subject matter claimed in the present application has been made, the present understanding of the contents thereof by the undersigned being based on the translation of the foreign examiner's comments submitted herewith.

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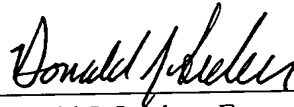
I hereby certify that each item of information contained in this Information Disclosure Statement was the first citation of that item by a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application, which occurred not more than three months prior to the filing of this statement.

It is respectfully requested that the listed reference(s) be considered by the Examiner and formally made of record in this application.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in fees or to credit any overpayment in fees to Attorney's Deposit Account No. 50-0481.

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